

Brown's Hotel, Liverpool
14th Dec. [1845]
Dear friend

I arrived here
last night from Belfast
in the 'Sea King'. - Had an
excellent passage - being
out only 19 hours - very good
for this season.

On my arrival I learned
that the H— family were in town.
I at once resolved to make
them a call, I have done
so - I was met at the door
by Jesse, it was a somewhat
difficult meeting - on both sides
He was disposed to talk the
matter of our difference over
at the door, his exceedingly
warm and friendly manner
- as well as I understood him
induced in me, a pang of regret

for the course I had seen fit to
pursue toward him, This was
the more so - When I saw the sorrow
of heart which it ^{had} given the younger
brothers and sisters - They stood
When I entered with tears in their
eyes - It was indeed painful - It was
~~too~~ much for me - altogether too much
I could have wished I had for
their sakes pushed the whole
matter over in silence,
Jesse and I concluded to say
nothing about the matter - but
wait till James ~~could~~ be present
with us, - I spent but a few
minutes with them, Poor
Judson - was quite sick I left
them in the act of putting ^{him} in
the lock chest I think he
will soon revive - as
he suffers from fever
For that the lock chest is everything -

My two last meetings in Belfast
created great sensation and
I hope did much good - I dealt
most intirely with the free
Church and Dr Chalmers
Bath are in high repute
in Belfast. I was going direct
ly against ^{the} prejudices of a
majority of my Audience
they however paid every
attention, and when I put
the question as to whether
the free Church had done
right in receiving the
Slave holders money &
fellowshipping them ^{as}
Christians - Their decision
was unanimous against
the free Church, thus
you see the tide is
turning,

I shall leave this tomorrow
morning for Birmingham
and shall leave there for
Belfast on Friday that I may
reach Belfast on Saturday.
I have given Friend Smeal
to understand that after my
meetings in Belfast - I will
at once proceed to Glasgow.
If you get any copies of the
engraving - you will do me
kindness to send me one
at Birmingham.

I had prepared letters for
America - but find that the
mail does not go before

January. My warm
regards to Mrs Webb.

Truly Yours
F Douglass

[To R. D. Webb]